

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Victims Rights

D.C. Code § 16-2340

- 1. The right to be treated with dignity, respect, courtesy, sensitivity, and with respect for your privacy.
- 2. The right to be notified in advance of dates and times of all hearings and trials.
- 3. The right to be provided a waiting area that is separate from the respondents/family/friends.
- 4. The right to be informed of financial assistance, criminal injuries compensation, and any other social services available.
- 5. The right to have stolen and other property promptly returned unless otherwise used for evidence.
- 6. The right to be informed in an appropriate case, by the Office of the Attorney General of the right to request restitution.
- 7. The right to submit a Victim Impact Statement in all cases and to have the statement considered in the disposition of the cases.
- 8. The right to be provided with appropriate safeguards to minimize the contact that may occur between the respondent, respondent's family, witnesses for the respondent and the victim
- 9. Except when mandated by law the D.C. Government shall not be required to disclose the victims name or address prior to a hearing.
- 10. The right for anyone acting on behalf of the respondent to clearly identify himself upon contact with the victim/ family.